LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS March 17, 2015

On Tuesday, March 17, 2015, the Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Jones at 3:00 p.m. in the City Hall Upstairs Conference Room, 701 Main Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

T. David Jones Chairperson
Jane Smith Vice-Chairperson
Jeanine Kenworthy Board Member
Marty Lenard Board Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gail Brown Board Member

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gary Stork City Council Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Laura Bechtel Library Director
Cate Schulenberg Recording Secretary

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tom Moser County Commissioner
Edna Carol Wichman Friends of the Library

1. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2A. Approval of minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held on February 17, 2015.

Mr. Lenard moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Smith seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

3A. Monthly Update by Library Director (staff)

Ms. Bechtel reported the February statistics to the Library Advisory Board. The Library had 8,436 patrons and patrons checked out over 7,782 items. The Library had 6,642 visitors and the History Center had 58 visitors through the door. Ms. Bechtel reported that, in February, 1,819 computer sessions were utilized by patrons. Ms. Bechtel reported the Fiscal Year statistics to the Board – 41,598 checkouts, 3,279 reference questions answered, and 36,436 visitors. Ms. Bechtel presented the Board with the number of Kerr County library cards purchased and the breakdown of patrons by residence. Discussion occurred regarding the purchase of Kerr County library cards and funding by Kerr County.

Ms. Bechtel presented the financial statements and revenue report for the Library and History Center. Discussion occurred regarding the funding of Library signage. Discussion occurred regarding the use of the History Center for museum space.

3B. Update on Friends of the Library activities (Jane Smith)

Ms. Smith announced more visitors are attending the Second Saturday Sales and on Wednesday afternoons. Discussion occurred regarding recycling in the Friends of the Library store and in the City.

3C. Next scheduled Library Advisory Board meeting – March 17, 2015

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Ms. Bechtel announced the Library held an event for "Read Across America Day" on Saturday, March 7, with a good family turnout.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Library will be hosting the first Incredible Edible Book Festival.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Library will be hosting a craft session on March 26 where participants will make Spring and Easter pennants.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the second Blind Date was a success with 34 participants.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kenworthy moved to adjourn; Mr. Lenard seconded. The Library Advisory Board adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

APPROVED

Jane Smith, Vice-Chairperson

Cate Schulenberg, Recording Secretary

Laura Bechtel, Library Director

Date minutes approved & signed